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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/634,461
Confirmation Number	2864 #13/UB
Filing Date	August 7, 2000 4/1/3
First Named Inventor	Akinori SUDO
Group Art Unit	1754
Examiner Name	Stuart L. HENDRICKSON
Matter Number	Q59895
Title	GRAPHITE CARBON POWDER, AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other _____

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2. MISCELLANEOUS

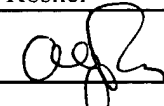
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$750.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

Name Abraham J. Rosner Registration No. 33,276

Signature  Date March 26, 2003



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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q59895

Akinori SUDO, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/634,461

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed February 4, 2003 is not entered.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 11, 12 and 13 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

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1. (Twice Amended) A method for producing graphite carbon powder, comprising filling a container made of carbon having electrical resistance and electrical conductivity with carbon powder which has been prepared from carbon material through crushing in advance, supplying electrical current directly to the container, and passing electrical current through the container to thereby heat the carbon powder for graphitization by means of ohmic-resistance heat generated from the container.

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